



Trump is notified he's a target of the U.S. criminal probe

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WASHINGTON (AP) — Former President Donald Trump said Tuesday he has received a letter informing him that he is a target of the Justice Department's investigation into efforts to overturn the results of the 2020 presidential election, an indication he could soon be charged by U.S. prosecutors. New federal charges, on top of existing state and federal counts in New York and Florida and a separate election-interference investigation nearing conclusion in Georgia, would add to the list of legal problems for Trump as he pursues the 2024 Republican presidential nomination.



Former President Donald Trump speaks during a rally, July 7, 2023, in Council Bluffs, Iowa.

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Trump disclosed the existence of a target letter in a post on his Truth Social platform, saying he received it Sunday night and that he anticipates being indicted. Such a letter often precedes an indictment and is used to advise individuals under investigation that prosecutors have gathered evidence linking them to a crime; Trump himself received one soon before being charged last month in a separate investigation into the illegal retention of classified documents.

A spokesman for special counsel Jack Smith, whose office is leading the investigation, declined to comment. Legal experts have said potential charges could include conspiracy to defraud the United States and obstruction of an official proceeding, in this case Congress' certification of President Joe Biden's electoral victory. Smith's team has cast a broad net in its investigation into attempts by Trump and his allies to block the transfer of power to Biden in the days leading up to the Jan. 6 riot at the U.S. Capitol, when Trump loyalists stormed the building in a bid to disrupt the certification of state electoral votes in Congress. More than 1,000 people accused of participating in the riot have been charged. Smith's probe has centered



Special counsel Jack Smith speaks to reporters Friday, June 9, 2023, in Washington.

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on a broad range of efforts by Trump and allies to keep him in office, including the role played by lawyers in pressing for the overturning of results as well as plans for slates of fake electors in multiple battleground states won by Biden to submit false electoral certificates to Congress. Prosecutors have questioned multiple Trump administration officials before a grand jury in Washington, including former Vice President Mike Pence, who was repeatedly pressured by Trump to ignore his constitutional duty and block the counting in Congress of electoral votes on Jan. 6. They've also interviewed other Trump advisers, including former Trump lawyer Rudy Giuliani, as well as local election officials in states including Michigan and New Mexico who were targets of a pressure

campaign from the then-president to overturn election results in their states. A lawyer for Giuliani, who participated in a voluntary interview, said Tuesday that he did not receive a target letter. Trump has consistently denied wrongdoing and did so again in his Tuesday post, writing, "Under the United States Constitution, I have the right to protest an Election that I am fully convinced was Rigged and Stolen, just as the Democrats have done against me in 2016, and many others have done over the ages." Trump remains the Republican party's dominant front-runner, despite indictments in New York arising from hush money payments during his 2016 campaign, and in Florida, which appear to have had little impact on his standing in the crowded

GOP field. The indictments also have helped his campaign raise millions of dollars from supporters, though he raised less after the second than the first, raising questions about whether subsequent charges will have the same impact. A fundraising committee backing Trump's candidacy began soliciting contributions just hours after he revealed the new letter, casting the investigation as "just another vicious act of Election Interference on behalf of the Deep State to try and stop the Silent Majority from having a voice in your own country." Trump was traveling to Iowa Tuesday, where he was taping a town hall with Fox News host Sean Hannity. The Trump indictments have proven politically challenging for some of Trump's rivals, who must be mindful of his deep support among many of the party's primary voters. Asked about the letter during a press conference in South Carolina, Florida Gov. Ron DeSantis, Trump's most serious challenger, said he hadn't seen it, but delivered his most forceful critique to date of Trump's inaction on Jan. 6. "I think it was shown how he was in the White House and didn't do anything while things were going on. He should have come out more forcefully," DeSantis said. However, he added,

"But to try to criminalize that, that's a different issue entirely." House speaker Kevin McCarthy, who had previously criticized Trump for his actions that day, accused Democrats of trying to "weaponize government to go after their number one opponent." Trump, since leaving office, has increasingly downplayed the events of Jan. 6, describing the rally he held that day as a "lovefest" and "a beautiful thing." He has also embraced defendants jailed for their alleged roles in the insurrection, including promising to pardon a "large portion" and to issue an official apology to them if he is reelected. In June, he spoke at a fundraiser for the defendants and earlier this year collaborated on a song called "Justice for All," a version of the Star-Spangled Banner sung by a choir of Jan. 6 defendants and recorded over a prison phone line that is overlaid with Trump reciting the Pledge of Allegiance. One purpose of a target letter is to advise a potential defendant that he or she has a right to appear before the grand jury. Trump said in his post that he has been given "a very short 4 days to report to the Grand Jury, which almost always means an Arrest and indictment." Aides did not immediately respond to questions seeking further information. □



A protester waves a Trump flag during rally organized by a group called Election Integrity Fund and Force at the Michigan State Capitol, Tuesday, Oct. 12, 2021, in Lansing, Mich.

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Michigan charges 16 fake electors for Donald Trump with felonies

eral filed felony charges Tuesday against 16 Republicans who acted as fake electors for then-President Donald Trump in 2020, accusing them of submitting false certificates confirming they were legitimate electors despite Joe Biden's victory in the state. Attorney General Dana Nessel, a Democrat, announced Tuesday that all 16 individuals would get eight criminal charges, including two counts of forgery,

which is a 14-year felony. The group includes Republican National Committee-woman Kathy Berden and Meshawn Maddock, former co-chair of the Michigan Republican Party. "It would be malfeasance of the greatest magnitude if my department failed to act here in the face of overwhelming evidence of an organized effort to circumvent the lawfully cast ballots of millions of Michigan voters in a presidential

election," Nessel said in a statement. There was no immediate reaction from the White House after the charges were announced. The group is alleged to have met on December 14, 2020, and signed their names to multiple certificates stating they were the qualified electors for Trump. These false documents were then transmitted to the U.S. Senate and National Archives. □

By JOEY CAPPELLETTI
Associated Press

LANSING, Mich. (AP) — Michigan's attorney gen-

Cybersecurity labeling for smart devices aims to help people choose those less vulnerable to hacking

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Biden administration and major consumer technology players on Tuesday launched an effort to put a nationwide cybersecurity certification and labeling program in place to help consumers choose smart devices that are less vulnerable to hacking. Officials likened the new U.S. Cyber Trust Mark initiative to be overseen by the Federal Communications Commission, with industry participation voluntary to the Energy Star program, which rates appliances' energy efficiency.

"It will allow Americans to confidently identify which internet- and Bluetooth-connected devices are cybersecure," deputy national security adviser Anne Neuberger told reporters in a pre-announcement briefing.

Amazon, Best Buy, Google, LG Electronics USA, Logitech and Samsung are among industry participants.

Devices including baby monitors, home security cameras, fitness trackers, TVs, refrigerators and smart climate control systems that meet the U.S. government's cybersecurity requirements will bear the "Cyber Trust" label, a shield logo, as early as next year, officials said.

FCC Chairwoman Jessica Rosenworcel said the mark will give consumers "peace of mind" and benefit manufacturers, whose products would need to adhere to criteria set by the National Institute of Standards and Technology to qualify.

The FCC was launching a rule-making process to set the standards and seek public comment. Besides carrying logos, participating devices would have QR codes that could be scanned for updated security information.

In a statement, the Consumer Technology Association said consumers could expect to see certification-ready products at the in-



White House press secretary Karine Jean-Pierre talks about a cybersecurity certification and labeling program during the daily briefing at the White House in Washington, Tuesday, July 18, 2023.

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dustry's annual January show, CES 2024, once the FCC adopts final rules. A senior Biden administration official said it was expected that products that qualify for the logo would undergo an annual recertification. The director of technology policy at Consumer Reports, Justin Brookman, welcomed the White House proposal but cautioned in a statement that "a long road remains" to its effective adoption.

"Our hope is that this label will ignite a healthy sense of competition in the marketplace, compelling manufacturers to safeguard both the security and privacy of consumers who use connected devices and to commit to supporting those devices for the lifetime of those products."

The Cyber Trust initiative was first announced in October following a meeting between White House and tech industry representatives.

The proliferation of so-called smart devices has coincided with growing cybercrime in which one insecure device can often give a cyberintruder a dangerous foothold on a home network.

An April report from the cybersecurity firm Bitdefender and networking equip-

ment company NetGear, based on their monitoring of smart homes, found that the most vulnerable devices in 2022 were, far and away, smart TVs, followed by smart plugs, routers and digital video recorders.

Providers of numerous smart home devices often don't update and patch software fast enough to thwart newly emerging malware threats. The Cyber Mark standards are expected to make clear which devices patch vulnerable software in a timely fashion and secure their communications to preserve privacy, officials said. □

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How Benjamin Franklin laid groundwork for the US dollar by foiling early counterfeiters

By **DAVID HAMILTON**

AP Business Writer

SAN FRANCISCO (AP) —

Benjamin Franklin was so busy as an inventor, publisher, diplomat and U.S. founding father that it's easy to lose track of his accomplishments.

Add one more to the roster: his early work in printing colonial paper currency designed to counter a constant threat of counterfeiting.

Franklin was an early innovator of printing techniques that used colored threads, watermarks and imprints of natural objects such as leaves to make it far harder for others to create knockoffs of his paper bills. A team at the University of Notre Dame has shed new light on his methods using advanced scanning techniques that reveal some of Franklin's methods in greater detail along the way, also providing one more reason Franklin appears on the \$100 bill.

The new research, published Monday in the Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences, describes data gathered with techniques such as spectroscopy and fluorescence tests, which use light



In this image provided by Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences, blue threads can be seen in a six shillings Delaware note printed by J. Adams on January 1, 1776.

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to identify elements such as carbon, calcium and potassium in test samples. Researchers also used electron microscopes for imaging fine details.

The intent, said lead author Khachatur Manukyan, a Notre Dame associate professor of physics, was to learn more about the materials used by Franklin and his network of affiliated printers and how they served to distinguish their bills from

cheaper copies."The goal was to decode what type of material they used," Manukyan said in an interview. "And then we found some very interesting differences between this money and other printers."

The researchers examined Franklin's penchant for including watermarks, tiny indigo-dyed threads and "fillers" of special crystal in printed bills to create barriers to copycats.

The paper also highlights Franklin's use of "nature printing," a technique by which he transferred the detailed vein patterns of tree leaves to printing plates.

These techniques raised numerous barriers to would-be copycats. Counterfeiters naturally sought to keep their costs low, and thus were loath to invest in improving their own printing techniques. Franklin's

fillers served to make bills harder and thus extend their life over the cheaper paper preferred by criminals, while his dyed threads added another production barrier.

Similarly, Franklin's nature-printed images produced fine details that were particularly difficult for less skilled printers to duplicate. Later, though, the Revolutionary War brought on such a surge of counterfeiting much of it, apparently, courtesy of the British Army that the subsequent U.S. government shunned paper bills for decades in favor of coinage. It didn't reconsider until the onset of the Civil War in 1861, when the federal government first authorized the printing of dollar bills called "greenbacks."

Among the features in those U.S. banknotes were, of course, colored threads. These remain in use today, albeit in a more modern form. In today's U.S. currency, for instance, the "security thread" is now a vertical band embedded in bills worth \$5 and more that fluoresces under ultraviolet light. □

Effort to find 2 children lost in a Pa. flash flood may soon pivot to an underwater search



Yardley Makefield Marine Rescue leaving the Yardley Boat Ramp along N. River Road heading down the Delaware River on Monday morning July 17, 2023, in Yardley, Pa.

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WASHINGTON CROSSING, Pa. (AP) — A broad effort to find two young siblings who were swept away from their car during flash flooding in the Philadelphia suburbs over the weekend may soon pivot to underwater searching, authorities said Tuesday.

Upper Makefield Fire Chief Tim Brewer provided an update near the search area, saying the team was still looking for Matilda Sheils, 2, and her 9-month-old brother Conrad Sheils. If the children are not located by day's end, Brewer said, the focus will be on the water, using dive teams.

With the search in a fourth day, officials acknowledged the many that have asked to volunteer to help but said they are not needed. Brewer asked people to avoid the area. Some 100 officials, as well as drones and cadaver dogs, have combed the area near the creek that drains into the Delaware River. The search has covered about 117 acres (47 hectares), with those on land logging some 160 miles (257 kilometers), often going back and forth over the same ground, he said.

The children are members of a Charleston, South Carolina, family that was visiting relatives and friends when they got hit by a "wall of water" Saturday, Brewer said.

The children's father, Jim Sheils, grabbed their 4-year-old son, while the children's mother, Katie Seley, and a grandmother grabbed the other children, Brewer said. Sheils and his son made it to safety, but Seley and the grandmother were swept away. The grandmother survived, but Seley was among the five people who drowned, according to the Bucks County Coroner's office. □

A vessel to accommodate asylum-seekers docks in UK as Parliament passes controversial migration bill

By BRIAN MELLEY

Associated Press

LONDON (AP) — A vessel that will house up to 500 asylum-seekers arrived Tuesday in England after Parliament passed its long-debated bill to curb migration.

The barge Bibby Stockholm was pulled by a tug into Portland harbor, off the southwest coast of England, after the government's controversial legislation overcame resistance in the House of Lords and was passed.

The vessel and the bill are both parts of Prime Minister Rishi Sunak's strategy to stop migrants from making risky English Channel crossings in small boats. The legislation will become law after receiving the assent of King Charles III.

The Conservative government has pledged to "stop the boats" overcrowded dinghies and other small craft that cross from northern France carrying migrants who hope to live in the U.K. More than 45,000 people crossed the Channel to Britain in 2022; several died in the attempt.

The bill is intended to deter



Tug boat Mercia pulls the Bibby Stockholm accommodation barge into Portland in Dorset where it is due to house migrants after travelling from dry dock in Falmouth, Cornwall, Tuesday July 18, 2023.

those journeys and will prevent migrants from claiming asylum in the U.K. if they arrive illegally. Under the legislation, those caught will be sent back home or deported to another safe country and banned from ever re-entering the U.K.

The government planned to send some of those who

arrive without authorization to Rwanda, but last month the Court of Appeal ruled it was illegal. The government is appealing the ruling to the U.K. Supreme Court. Sunak cheered the passage of the bill but said the government must prevail at the higher court for the law to function properly.

"This is an important part of our work to stop the boats. Obviously it needs to be paired with the Rwanda partnership," said Sunak's spokesman, Max Blain. "It's right that we have this power in place so it can be utilized swiftly and we remain confident we will be successful in the challenge

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in the Supreme Court."

The bill was approved after an all-night tussle Monday between the House of Commons, where the governing Conservatives have a majority, and the unelected House of Lords, which can amend but not block legislation.

Elected members of Parliament defeated amendments that would have included protections for modern slavery and child detention limits.

The United Nations human rights and refugee chiefs said the bill was at odds with Britain's obligations under international law and will have "profound consequences" for people seeking protection.

"For decades, the U.K. has provided refuge to those in need, in line with its international obligations a tradition of which it has been rightly proud," said U.N. High Commissioner for Refugees Filippo Grandi. "This new legislation significantly erodes the legal framework that has protected so many, exposing refugees to grave risks in breach of international law." □

Divisions over the Ukraine war cause a rift at EU-LatAm summit

By RAF CASERT

Associated Press

BRUSSELS (AP) — European Union and Latin American



Argentina's President Alberto Fernandez, Saint Vincent and Grenadines Prime Minister Ralph Gonsalves, European Council President Charles Michel and European Commission President Ursula von der Leyen, from left, gather following a joint news conference at the end of the third EU-CELAC summit that brings together leaders of the EU and the Community of Latin American and Caribbean States, in Brussels, Belgium, Tuesday, July 18, 2023.

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leaders concluded a summit that was supposed to be a love-in after eight years of separation, but instead ended Tuesday with aggravation over the failure to unanimously support even a bland statement on Russia's invasion of Ukraine. Europe's fervent support of Ukraine clashed with the more distant or neutral approach pervasive in the 33-nation Community of Latin American and Caribbean States.

What should have been a mere detail in a landmark summit celebrating economic ties and fresh investment became its encompassing theme.

In the end, the shadow of Russian President Vladimir Putin hovered over the two-day meeting because

Nicaragua refused to join 59 other nations, including Cuba and Venezuela, in a common criticism of the war.

"All the select members are aligned except Nicaragua," French President Emmanuel Macron said. "I do respect the internal process not to outvote just one member."

There also was criticism and disappointment on the Latin American side.

"We're very sorry for the situation. And really, I mean, we're very surprised that there are members of our group which oppose any resolution concerning this war," said Chilean Foreign Minister Alberto van Klaveren. "It's a war of aggression."

Common conclusions are

traditionally issued at the end of such summits, and Tuesday's lack of such a statement dampened a meeting that otherwise was a warm blanket of words and commitments between trusted partners from each side of the Atlantic.

Instead of a clear condemnation of Russia that the EU wanted, the statement endorsed by all countries except Nicaragua would merely have expressed "deep concern on the ongoing war against Ukraine." It was a standoff over an issue that a vast majority of the 60 nations attending had already expressed common views in several votes at the United Nations and other international institutions. □

U.S. deploys nuclear-armed submarine to South Korea

By **HYUNG-JIN KIM**

Associated Press

SEOUL, South Korea (AP) —

The United States deployed a nuclear-armed submarine to South Korea on Tuesday for the first time in four decades, as the allies warned North Korea that any use of the North's nuclear weapons in combat would result in the end of its regime.

Periodic visits by U.S. nuclear ballistic missile-capable submarines to South Korea were one of several agreements reached by the two countries' presidents in April in response to North Korea's expanding nuclear threat. They also agreed to establish a bilateral Nuclear Consultative Group and expand military exercises. The USS Kentucky, an Ohio-class submarine, arrived at the South Korean port of Busan on Tuesday afternoon, South Korea's Defense Ministry said. It is the first visit by a U.S. nuclear-armed submarine to South Korea since the 1980s, it said.

Defense Minister Lee Jong-sup called the submarine's visit a demonstration of U.S. resolve in implementing its



Protesters wearing masks of Japanese Prime Minister Fumio Kishida, second from left, U.S. President Joe Biden and South Korean President Yoon Suk Yeol, second from right, attend a rally against a meeting of Nuclear Consultative Group between South Korea and the United States in front of the presidential office in Seoul, South Korea, Tuesday, July 18, 2023.

"extended deterrence" commitment, a pledge by the U.S. to use its full military capabilities, including nuclear weapons, to protect its allies, the ministry said in a statement.

He said the submarine's visit "shows the allies' overwhelming capability and

posture against North Korea."

During the Cold War in the late 1970s, U.S. nuclear-armed ballistic missile submarines made frequent visits to South Korea, sometimes two or three times per month, according to the Federation of American

Scientists. It was a period when the U.S. had hundreds of nuclear warheads located in South Korea. But in 1991, the United States withdrew all of its nuclear weapons from the Korean Peninsula.

North Korea's nuclear ambitions have taken on a

new urgency after it threatened to use nuclear weapons in conflicts with its rivals and conducted about 100 missile tests since the start of last year. Last week, North Korea conducted a second test of a more mobile and powerful intercontinental ballistic missile designed to strike the mainland United States. After observing that launch, North Korean leader Kim Jong Un vowed to further strengthen his country's nuclear combat capabilities. Also on Tuesday, South Korean and U.S. officials held the inaugural meeting of the Nuclear Consultative Group in Seoul to discuss ways to strengthen deterrence against North Korea's nuclear threats.

"Any nuclear attack by North Korea against the United States or its allies is unacceptable and will result in the end of that regime," the two countries said in a joint statement after the meeting.

President Joe Biden issued a similar warning after his summit in Washington with South Korean President Yoon Suk Yeol in April. □

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Thousands died in the Philippines' 'war on drugs'

By **MIKE CORDER**

Associated Press

THE HAGUE, Netherlands

(AP) — Appeals judges at the International Criminal Court ruled Tuesday that an investigation into the Philippines' deadly "war on drugs" can resume, rejecting Manila's objections to the case going ahead at the global court.

The court's investigation was suspended in late 2021 after the Philippines said it was already probing the same allegations and argued that the ICC a court of last resort therefore didn't have jurisdiction.

The Philippines launched its appeal after judges in January agreed with the court's chief prosecutor, Karim Khan, that deferring

the investigation to Manila was "not warranted." At the time, judges ruled that the domestic proceedings did not amount to "tangible, concrete and progressive investigative steps in a way that would sufficiently mirror the court's investigation."

At a hearing Tuesday, Presiding Judge Marc Perrin de Brichambaut said the five-judge appeals panel, in a majority decision, agreed and rejected the Philippines' appeal.

More than 6,000 suspects, most of them people who lived in poverty, have been killed in the crackdown on drug crime, according to government pronouncements. Human rights groups say the death toll is consid-

erably higher and should include many unsolved killings by motorcycle-riding gunmen who may have been deployed by police. Former Philippine President Rodrigo Duterte has defended the crackdown as "lawfully directed against drug lords and pushers who have for many years destroyed the present generation, especially the youth."

Duterte withdrew the Philippines from The Hague-based court in 2019 in a move rights activists said was an attempt to evade accountability and prevent an international probe into the killings in his campaign against illegal drugs. However, the ICC still has jurisdiction over alleged crimes



In this file photo released by the Malacanang Presidential Photographers Division, Philippine President Rodrigo Duterte talks with members of the Inter-Agency Task Force on the Emerging Infectious Diseases at the Malacanang Presidential Palace in Manila, Philippines, on May 31, 2021.

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committed when the country was still a member state of the court.

The current Philippine president, Ferdinand Marcos Jr., said last year that Manila has no plan to rejoin the ICC, a decision that supported his predecessor's

stance but rejects the wishes of human rights activists. "The ICC appeals chamber decision rejects Philippine government claims that the ICC should not investigate in the country," said Bryony Lau, deputy Asia director at Human Rights Watch. □

Visit the island's popular cave sites!

(Oranjestad)—Among the endless sea of dark brown sand and cacti, there are two caves hidden in the outskirts of San Nicolas, in the north-eastern area of the island. These caves, The Quadirikiri cave and The Fontein Cave are open to visitors of the Arikok National Park, so if you ever decide to take an “off-road” tour in the park, be sure to visit these prehistoric caves...and be sure to bring a flashlight!

Quadirikiri Cave

Known for its two chambers accompanied by a skylight, the Quadirikiri Cave is the most popular cave among locals and tourists, as it is easy to walk through and provides great lighting for pictures.

As with all prehistoric or ancient sites, there is always a folk legend that adds to the lore and mystery of the site. The Quadirikiri cave is no different. The most well-known legend behind the cave could be considered as Aruba's first love story, as it tells the tale of the undying love between the chief's daughter and her beloved. As legend would have it, the chief disapproved of his daughter's choice of lover, as he thought him unworthy. Stubborn and filled with anger, the daughter refused to turn away her beloved.

So, the chief decided to lock her up in the Quadirikiri Cave, in hopes that she would soon calm down and turn away her lover. Her beloved, in turn, was



locked away in the Tunnel of Love (Now known as the Huliba Cave).

Through the pathways underneath the Tunnel of Love running up to the Quadirikiri cave, the two love birds found each other, and refused to let each other go. Because of their stubbornness, they both died in the Quadirikiri Cave, their ascending spirits burning two holes in the ceiling of the cave. This is why the cave has two holes through which sunlight passes through to illuminate the chamber.

Though there have been discoveries of Amerindian drawing on the wall, these have mostly been ruined by vandalism. However, the Fontein Cave further up north, provides a better glimpse in prehistoric Amerindian paintings.

Fontein Cave

Longer than the Quadirikiri Cave, the Fontein Cave contains pathways that stretch to the limestone walls further down. Here is also where prehistoric drawings can be seen. Though this cave does not have its own legend, this



was speculated to have been occupied—or at least used by prehistoric Arawak settlers on the island for rituals and other spiritual ceremonies.

The Huliba Cave/ Tunnel of Love

The Huliba Cave, formerly known as the Tunnel of Love, was once open to the public, and was the biggest and most accessible of all three caves. This cave had five chambers, including one that is heart-shaped. This cave had narrow stairs that led to long pathways deep into the cave, with a staircase leading to the exit on the other side. In one of the chambers, there used to be the carving of the Virgin Mary, put there for the protection of the cave.

However, the Huliba Cave has been permanently closed for a few years now, as a way to preserve the bat population that lives in the cave. These Long Tongue Fruit Bats and Insect Eater Bats are very important to the ecosystem of the island. Though this cave is no longer accessible to the public, it surely is interesting to learn more about the history of these caves and the Awarak tribes that resided or utilized them.

Do note that these caves are very dark, humid, hot, and are inhabited by bats. Do wear comfortable clothing and shoes, as the pathways in these caves may be rough and bumpy, and don't forget to bring a flashlight! □



Enjoy a night of excitement, music, and acrobatics! Rhythms Circus Company Aruba is putting Aruba's name on the world stage

Rhythms Circus Company Aruba is a talented group of young people working daily to present their art in the form of acrobatics, dancing, acting and singing. After an impactful participation in one of America's biggest talent shows, they are now bringing their amazing talent to Aruba!

In a show full of light, music, and with performances to famous musical figures like Elvis Presley, Michael Jackson and Tina Turner, the group consisting of 15 people from various countries delights the audience with their artistic prowess at the Paseo Herencia Mall, every Wednesday and Friday starting at 7pm. Each day has a different show, so you can attend both nights for the complete experience!

The group, under the leadership of directors and creators Diego Jaramillo and Yamila Hernandez are opening the doors to



the ballroom to our local audience as well as our visitors so that everyone can have the privilege of experiencing this wonder-

ful show.

Hernandez explained that the idea for this project started in 2010 when she

came to work in Aruba. After being on the island for a while she decided to stay and live here, and she met Diego Jaramillo, who is currently her partner. Together they came with the idea to establish a company together with other professional artists, with the goal of living from their art.

Hernandez says that the work is hard – all of the performers are professional artists, and while the production of the show is not a challenge for them, selling the idea proved difficult since at the time, there weren't any shows of its kind on the island.

America's Got Talent

Currently they are offering a show with music, choreography and at the end, they have a shocking acrobatics ending, one that was seen by thousands of people around the world when the group travelled to Los Angeles in the United States to represent Aruba in America's Got Talent. Hernandez said that the show was very important for them to meet the public present because people could experience this performance live and right before their eyes.

Their presentation in America's Got Talent "was incredible" and they were able to meet the jury and many other artists staying there for three months. But the exhaustion and physical toll was so great that Diego suffered an accident, and because of this, they had to cancel all future commitments.

"This is work for which you must have a lot of respect. Circus as such implies a lot of risk, we have to give all of ourselves, we need to be in a physical state where you cannot stop training, there needs to be steadfastness; but if you go past the limit, your body cannot handle it. It seems that during this tour we went over the limit and Diego was injured right



when we had to go sign up for the next part of the tour with America's Got Talent. That was frustrating," Yamila explained.


Thanks to their performance in America's Got Talent, they received a lot of offers. However, before that they travelled to Hungary, to the Budapest Circus Festival, and afterwards they decided to return to and remain in Aruba to show their talents up close at home.

Future projects

Next month in July the group is travelling to Italy to perform at the show "Tu si que vales", and in August they are travelling to France for the program "La France a un Incroyable Talent", completing their travels in November in China, to perform at the Wuqiao International Circus Festival.

Even so, "these are short tours of maximum two weeks, because we are committed to our show in Aruba," Yamila explained.

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The honorees were:

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Ms. Kimberley Richardson representing the Aruba Tourism Authority, and staff members of the Marriott's Surf Club bestowed the certificate to the honorees, presented them with memorable gifts, and also thanked them for choosing Aruba as their best-loved vacation destination and as their home-away-from-home.

On behalf of the Aruba Tourism Authority, we would like to express our sincere gratitude and appreciation to Mr. & Mrs. Grimaldi for their continued visits to the "One Happy Island".

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Every week, Etnia Nativa writes a new episode concerning culture and heritage, focusing on various aspects of native knowledge, transcendental wisdom, and the importance of upholding our true identity. The goal is to educate readers and encourage them to embrace a genuine island state of consciousness.

In this segment, Etnia Nativa shares about the Turnip-tailed gecko, locally known as Pega Pega (*Thecadactylus rapicauda*), which is mostly nocturnal and commonly found in local houses. They are famous for their ability to stick to vertical surfaces; their name derives from the suction pads on their feet that allow them to grip or stick (pega means "to stick" in Papiamentu); however, it is also said that it has to do with the repeating crisp sound they make.

The local Pega Pega is immediately recognizable by its large size, with a body length of up to 12 cm, and its large, swollen tail, approximately the same length or slightly shorter than its body; females are larger and more robust than males. It has short, robust legs with flattened toes and extensive basal webbing.

The undersides of its toes are covered in lamellae, which are used as friction pads to cling to smooth vertical surfaces. Some can even walk around completely upside down. Its toes are covered with ridges, which are peppered with millions of microscopic bristle-like structures called setae that attach and detach when the animal wills them to, and they never get gunked up.

They are variable in coloration, from a mottled dark gray to orange-brown, and are capable of changing color depending on their mood and surroundings. Mottled and banded markings aid in camouflage against tree bark. They are harmless and fragile; you can hold one in your hands as long as you are VERY gentle.

Never put pressure on its tail because it will surely drop as a measure to try to distract the predator, and they are different from other lizards because they're long-lived, talkative, lack eyelids, and their small scales are situated next to each other like cobblestones rather than overlapping as is the case in most other lizards. Their reproductive season is during the rainy season. After mating, a female lays 1 or (rarely) 2 eggs, which she buries in a slightly moist substrate, a garden plant container, or a tree trunk. The young hatch 13 days later.



This sticking 'lizard' has full-color vision and can see a large spectrum of colors even in very dim light. But most geckos don't have eyelids, so their precious eyeballs are covered with little protective scales that need to be wiped off occasionally. For this reason, it is really useful and valuable because of its long tongue. Pega Pega, instead of blinking, sticks out his long pink tongue and cleans off its eyeballs, one at a time.

They have sophisticated vocal communication systems, similar to those of mammals and birds. At night, they vocalize by giving a series of 15-25 chirps and clacks, used for territory establishment and defense or to lure potential interlopers away when they get too close. Their vocalization is extremely flexible: they can bark, click, squeak, and chirp in order to attract mates. In New Caledonia lives the largest gecko in the world (*Rhacodactylus leachianus*), and because of its shrill growl, the natives of the place call it "the devil in the trees".

Turnip-tailed Geckos are insectivorous and feed on cockroaches, grasshoppers,

beetles, flies, mosquitoes, and spiders. They spend their days concealed in dark tree grooves and cavities, in narrow crevices in the walls, or behind paintings, which provide the perfect shelter for them. Most geckos have thin skin covered in tiny, granular scales and tend to rely on camouflage and the cover of the night to hide from predators. Their skin is self-cleaning and antibacterial and repels water that rises and rolls off, carrying dirt and bacteria away. Their ability to shed water helps keep them clean in the wild. To date, there are 44 different types of gecko species with different characteristics and types. Pega pega is a gecko endemic to our island, but in time, some 4-5 intrusive gecko species have been observed, some of which do not cease to amaze us with the racket they make, especially during the hours of the night.

If you have a keen interest in exploring Aruba's heritage, Etnia Nativa's experience is highly recommended. The owner's firsthand explanations and insights set Etnia Nativa apart of the rest. A personal touch which adds depth and authenticity to the experience, allowing visitors to forge a meaningful connection with the island's history, engaging valuable insights and a more profound understanding of Aruba's cultural traditions.

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Aruba: the legend behind its name

(Oranjestad)—Most folkloric tales and legends in Aruba revolve around our indigenous ancestors, who came from mainland Venezuela, and discovered the island and made it into their new home. This particular legend tells the story of the birth of the Aruba name.

The legend follows the life of Arua, an indigenous Cacique originally from Aroa in the Falcon state in Venezuela in the year 50 AD. Arua had a son around the year 70 AD with his wife Shira, who they named Corobori. When Corobori was old enough, he joined his father on the usual boat trip to the islands of Curacao and Bonaire to gather salt.

On their way back to Mainland Venezuela, they were caught up in a heavy rain storm—a side effect from a passing, but far away, hurricane. Of course, because of the lack of motors and sail, their boat was left in the mercy of the heavy winds. After a while, the storm started to pass, and the clouds began to clear up. Finally able to see around them, the Cacique spotted land approximately an hour away. So, they started to row in that direction until they reached the coast.

Once they arrived on what they thought was Venezuela, they decided to stay the night and fix their kayak. The next morning, the Cacique ordered his son and a few warriors to go find any sign of population in the area: "Corobori," Arua said. "Don't come back without news. It's in your hands how long we stay here till we find our family. So, if you need to take a week to gather information, we will wait for you."

"Don't worry," Corobori replied. "As soon as we have any information, we will let you know." Armed with arrows and spears, backpacks filled with food and water containers, they set off. They climbed several small hills, but no sign of a village. They crossed different dry riverbeds, but no sign of anything. When the sun finally descended, they found themselves near a fairly tall hill and decided to climb it for a better view of a village. This hill was called Pan Dushi or Orcuyo, which today we call Hooiberg.

The next morning, they could clearly see that they have landed on an island, but an unfamiliar one at that. When Corobori went back to where his father was waiting, he told him the news: "Father Arua, you have just discovered an island, but it is not Curacao or Bonaire. Far in the south, we saw the big mountains of our homeland Venezuela, which we could have never seen on the other island. This leads us to believe we are on a new island. But that's not all. When the sun came up, we saw in the distance a glowing plain, which we think may be salt."

The Cacique was pleased to hear of his son's findings. He decided to stay a couple days on the newly-discovered island in search for salt. The next morning they ascended Hooiberg again and stayed to see if they could find nearby smoke, indicating an inhabitant village. But they found nothing. So they went back to their initial arrival settlement, now known as Santo Largo in Savaneta. The next morning they hiked along the Spaans Lagoen near the Mangel Halto Beach and reached the area of Bushiri. There, they boarded their kayaks and heading to what we know now as Malmok, where they found rocks of salt. After a couple days of exploring the island and gathering some salt rocks, they left for Venezuela, where they were reunited with their families.

Throughout the year, they travelled back and forth to Aruba, collecting salt. After a while they settled on the island, generations of families living along the coast. Corobori was the first indigenous inhabitant in our history to explore the entirety of the island.

Arua, after decades as the leader of his tribe, spent his last days on the island. Having reached 80 years old, he called for his family on his death bed. In his hammock, he said: "My children, many years have passed, and I've asked my warrior to bring me back to the island so I can laid to rest. The God of living has given me the gift of life to see my son, grandchildren and great grandchildren. But now he is calling me home. Corobori, my torch is now passed to you. Guide our people, and be the leader you were always meant to become. If one day you leave my island, do not forget that it is also yours. This is my last wish: When I die, bury me in our maize plantation."

And so when the Cacique passed away, his wishes were granted and he was laid to rest in the area we now know as the Paradera Cemetery. Where he used to live, they built the Paradera Church.

And that is the tale of what inspired the Aruba name. In the generations that lived or travelled back and forth to the island, there were many familiar names*, like Guadiriki, a warrior who was there when the island got discovered and his son, whom he called Huliba; Corobori and his children, Corodori, Camacuri and Turibana, Masiduri; and Malmok, the 13-year-old boy who alerted the Cacique when the Caribes attacked.

Familiar names: all these names are familiar to Arubans, as these are the names of places and plants on the island. □

Source: Un storia di e Indjan Arua (A story of the Indian Arua) by Adolf (Dufi) Kock



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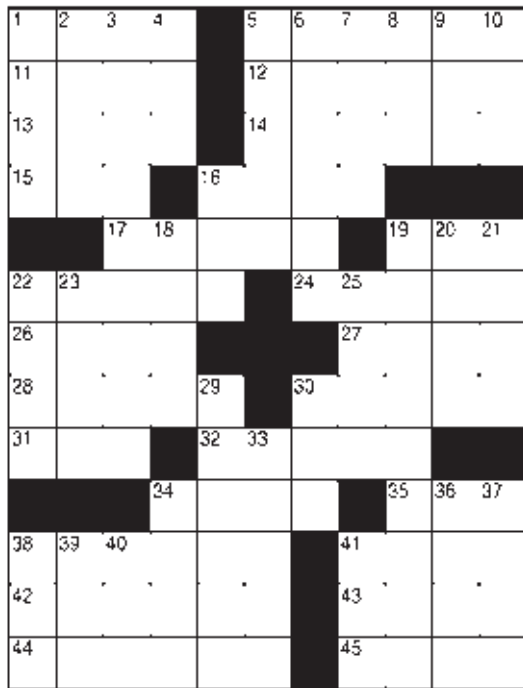
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Yesterday's answer



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Yesterday's Cryptoquote: I WOULD LIKE TO PAINT THE WAY A BIRD SINGS. — CLAUDE MONET

Millennial Money: 4 takeaways from Netflix's money shows

By CHANELLE BESSETTE of NerdWallet

In the past year, streaming service Netflix has released two financially focused offerings: the film "Get Smart With Money" and the series "How to Get Rich." Both feature powerhouse financial influencers who help people reevaluate their approaches to money to educate and empower them. Here are four takeaways that you can apply to your own life, no matter your financial situation.

TAKEAWAYS FROM 'GET SMART WITH MONEY'

The "Get Smart With Money" documentary features well-known financial writers, bloggers and podcasters who share their expertise on how to become better at managing money. Here are a couple of lessons they imparted.

1. EMOTION MANAGEMENT IS KEY TO MONEY MANAGEMENT

In "Get Smart With Money," some of the featured participants were dealing with significant debt or with the challenges of living paycheck to paycheck. The stress, fear and frustration that come with money can significantly impact how you manage it. Tiffany Ali-che, a financial educator also known as The Budget-nista, talks through this fear and encourages people to face their money head-on to see what they owe and where they need to save more. □



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Editorial cartoonists' firings point to steady decline of opinion pages in newspapers

By **DAVID BAUDER**

AP Media Writer

NEW YORK (AP) — Even during a year of sobering economic news for media companies, the layoffs of three Pulitzer Prize-winning editorial cartoonists on a single day hit like a gut punch.

The firings of the cartoonists employed by the McClatchy newspaper chain last week were a stark reminder of how an influential art form is dying, part of a general trend away from opinion content in the struggling print industry.

Losing their jobs were Jack Ohman of California's Sacramento Bee, also president of the Association of American Editorial Cartoonists; Joel Pett of the Lexington Herald-Leader in Kentucky and Kevin Siers of the Charlotte Observer in North Carolina. Ohman and Siers were full-time staffers, while Pett worked on a free-lance contract. The firings on Tuesday were first reported by The Daily Cartoonist blog.

"I had no warning at all," Ohman told The Associated Press. "I was stupefied." McClatchy, which owns 30 U.S. newspapers, said it would no longer publish editorial cartoons. "We made this decision based on changing reader habits and our relentless focus on



Sacramento Bee editorial cartoonist Jack Ohman reacts to winning the Pulitzer Prize for Editorial Cartooning as he sits with friend Mandy Sittrop, left, and his son, Eric Ohman, right, on April 18, 2016, in Sacramento, Calif.

providing the communities we serve with local news and information they can't get elsewhere," the chain said in a statement.

There's a rich history of editorial cartooning, including Thomas Nast's vivid take-downs of corrupt New York City politicians in the late 1800s and Herbert Block's drawings of a sinister-looking Richard Nixon in The Washington Post.

At the start of the 20th century, there were about 2,000 editorial cartoonists

employed at newspapers, according to a report by the Herbert Block Foundation. Now, Ohman estimates there are fewer than 20.

The last full-time editorial cartoonist to win a Pulitzer was Jim Morin of the Miami Herald in 2017. Since then, owing to the diminishing number of employed cartoonists, the Pulitzers have broadened the category in which they compete and renamed it "Illustrated Reporting and Commentary."

While written editorials can sometimes be ponderous and intimidate readers, the impact of a well-done cartoon is instantaneous, Pett said.

"Usually when you look at an editorial cartoon, it's (done by) some guy like you who is pissed who can draw," he said. "It's just relatable."

While economics is clearly a factor in an industry that has lost jobs so dramatically that many newspapers are mere ghosts of themselves,

experts say timidity also explains the dwindling number of cartoonists. Readers are already disappearing, why give them a reason to be angry?

Pett has been involved in a battle with Daniel Cameron, Kentucky's attorney general and a Republican candidate for governor. Cameron, who is Black, has accused Pett of being a race-baiter in his cartoons and called for his firing at a news conference not knowing that hours earlier, his wish had been granted, said Pett, a Pulitzer winner in 2000.

His bosses never told him to avoid cartoons about Cameron, but gave him a series of guidelines, Pett said. For instance, he was told not to depict Cameron wearing a MAGA hat backward.

"There's a broader reluctance in this political environment to make people mad," said Tim Nickens, retired editorial page editor at the Tampa Bay Times in Florida. "By definition, a provocative editorial cartoonist is going to make somebody mad every day."

Pett agrees.

"I could have looked at the guy who fired me and said, 'I'll do it for free,' and they would have said no," he said. □

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It's official: Taylor Swift has more No. 1 albums than any woman in history

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LOS ANGELES (AP) — Congratulations are in order for Taylor Swift and her loyal fans, known as Swifties. The pop star officially has more No. 1 albums than any woman in history.

"Speak Now (Taylor's Version)", released earlier this month, is the third in her endeavor to re-record her first six albums, instigated by music manager Scooter Braun's sale of her early

catalog. It has officially debuted at No. 1 on the Billboard 200, becoming her 12th album to reach the top spot.

Previously, Barbra Streisand held the record, with 11 No. 1 albums.

Swift ties Drake's record of 12 No. 1 records, but sits just behind Jay-Z, who has 14 No. 1 albums to his name, and the Beatles, who have 19.

In addition to hitting this incredible milestone, Swift

has 2023's biggest album release to date, with 716,000 equivalent album units, according to Luminate.

An impressive 506,600 are in traditional album sales (a combination of 410,000 physical and 96,600 digital sales.)

With those figures, Swift has dethroned country singer Morgan Wallen, whose album "One Thing at a Time" sold 501,000 units in its first week. □



Taylor Swift arrives at the 65th annual Grammy Awards, Feb. 5, 2023, in Los Angeles.

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Vingegaard closer to Tour victory after sensational time trial

COMBLOUX, France (AP)

— Defending champion Jonas Vingegaard may have time-trialed his way to a second straight Tour de France victory.

A sensational time trial from Vingegaard on Tuesday saw the overall leader extend his advantage over two-time winner Tadej Pogačar to nearly two minutes with just five stages remaining including Sunday's largely ceremonial, final procession to Paris.

"No, there's still a lot of hard stages to come so we have to keep fighting the next days," Vingegaard said when asked if the race had already been decided. "And yeah, we're looking forward to it."

"I'm really, really happy with the victory today and really proud of it. It's my first time trial victory in the Tour de France. So, yeah, I'm really proud."

Vingegaard, who rides for the Jumbo-Visma team, started the day only 10 seconds ahead of Pogačar after little could separate the duo in a fascinating duel over the last two weeks.

However, when it came down to a direct head-to-head battle, Vingegaard was in a class of his own.



Stage winner and overall leader Denmark's Jonas Vingegaard rides towards the finish line of the sixteenth stage of the Tour de France cycling race, an individual time trial over 22.5 kilometers (14 miles) with start in Passy and finish in Combloux, France, Tuesday, July 18, 2023.

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The Danish cyclist finished the 22.4-kilometer (14-mile) hilly route from Passy to Combloux 1 minute, 38 seconds ahead of Pogačar. Wout van Aert was third at the end of the 16th stage, 2:51 behind Vingegaard.

The 26-year-old Vingegaard now leads Pogačar by 1:48 overall and it will take something equally sensational from the Slovenian cyclist to wrest the yellow

jersey from his rival. Adam Yates moved into third overall, almost nine minutes behind Vingegaard.

Riders face a mammoth mountain stage, the hardest of the race, on Wednesday. The last of four climbs of the 17th stage is a 28.4-kilometer (17.6-mile) slog up Col de la Loze, before sweeping downhill to the Courchevel ski station which hosts World Cup sla-

lom races.

Tuesday's time trial had been seen as a potential tiebreaker but few could have imagined such a large gap.

"I think today I even surprised myself with the time trial I did. I didn't expect to do so well," Vingegaard said. Pogačar himself put in an impressive performance and flew through the first time check 26 seconds up

on the rest of the field. However, Vingegaard who had rolled down the ramp last was 16 seconds faster than Pogačar at that point, after just 7.1 kilometers, and had extended that to 30 seconds after 12 kilometers of racing. Pogačar opted to change from his time-trial bike to a lightweight road bike at the foot of the second-category climb, with 5.3 kilometers remaining, and that helped him on the ascent. But he was unable to match an extraordinary ride from Vingegaard, who could almost see his rival on the approach to the finish line, such was his time gain. Van Aert took his cap off to his teammate and smiled at the camera.

"It's hard to understand what happened because it was extraordinary," Van Aert said. "But we've seen it throughout the whole Tour those two are just so much stronger than the rest. In the end, I'm happy to make it into the top three."

"It's a positive step forwards to secure yellow. We're looking really good ... The stages in the next few days will be tough and crucial. Now we need to recover and make sure we're ready for tomorrow." □

Visa re-ups sponsorship with U.S. Soccer, equal investment in women

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AUCKLAND, New Zealand (AP) — On the eve of the Women's World Cup, U.S. Soccer has extended its partnership with Visa for the next five years.

As part of the agreement announced Tuesday, Visa again vowed that 50% of investment will go towards programs surrounding the U.S. women's national team and women's soccer initiatives.

The deal ensures Visa's ongoing involvement in the SheBelieves Cup international tournament in the United States each year. The financial services company is the tournament's presenting sponsor.

"It's very aligned with our focus on sports but more importantly, with our focus on women and ensuring that women really do get equality," said Mary Ann

Reilly, head of North America marketing for Visa.

The sponsorship also comes as the United States is set to host the 2026 men's World Cup with Mexico and Can-

ada.

"We've actually done more with the U.S. women's team from a SheBelieves Cup perspective, but I think it's a huge opportunity for U.S. soccer," Reilly said about the 2026 World Cup. "As a mom who has a daughter who played competitive soccer, it's a game that has not really reached the heights that it has in other countries, and I think it really has the potential to do so. So we're really excited to help to bring the World Cup to the U.S. and North America."

When a U.S. player wins a Player of the Match award at the Women's World Cup, Visa will award a grant to small businesses owned

by women in the athlete's hometown or market. The grant fund is \$500,000.

The tournament, hosted by New Zealand and Australia, kicks off on Thursday. The U.S. women are vying for their third-straight title. Visa is also a global partner of the Women's World Cup. Other aspects of the sponsorship include fan experiences around U.S. Soccer matches and collaborations with women-owned companies. In addition to its role as presenting sponsor, Visa also sponsors the SheBelieves Cup MVP award. The company has pledged a \$25,000 grant to a women-owned business on behalf of the winning player. □



United States' players jump to celebrate with the trophy after winning the Women's World Cup final soccer match between US and The Netherlands at the Stade de Lyon in Decines, outside Lyon, France, Sunday, July 7, 2019.

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Alcaraz's Wimbledon title shows he is exactly who everyone thought he was

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WIMBLEDON, England (AP)

— Novak Djokovic knows a thing or two about the talents and intangibles required to win big matches against the best players. He's been in 35 Grand Slam finals. He's won 23 of them. He played Rafael Nadal and Roger Federer a total of 109 times, with head-to-head edges against both. He went 9-5 against them in title matches at majors. So it seemed only natural to ask Djokovic to whom he'd compare the new star of men's tennis Carlos Alcaraz after losing to him across five sets and more than 4 1/2 hours brimming with brilliant play and dramatic moments in the Wimbledon final on Sunday. "People have been talking in the past 12 months or so about his game consisting of certain elements from Roger, Rafa and myself. I would agree with that," Djokovic began, the bitterness of the 1-6, 7-6 (6), 6-1, 3-6, 6-4 defeat, and the end of his reign at the All England Club, still sharp. "I think he's got basically (the) best of all three worlds," Djokovic said.



Spain's Carlos Alcaraz celebrates with the trophy after beating Serbia's Novak Djokovic to win the final of the men's singles on day fourteen of the Wimbledon tennis championships in London, Sunday, July 16, 2023.

Left there, that would stand out as a rather striking endorsement of the precocious Alcaraz, a Spaniard who won the U.S. Open last year and now is one of just five men to collect multiple Grand Slam trophies before turning 21.

Then Djokovic got into specifics. "He's got this mental resilience and, really, maturity for someone who is 20 years old. It's quite impressive," said Djokovic, who had won Wimbledon four years in a row and seven times in all. "He's got this 'Spanish bull' mentality of competitiveness and fighting spirit and incredible defense that we've seen with Rafa over the years."

With a smile, Djokovic

tacked on what he sees of himself in the youngster.

"He's got some nice sliding backhands that (have) some similarities with my backhands. Two-handed backhands. Defense. Being able to adapt. That has been my personal strength for many years," Djokovic said. "He has it, too."

When the gist of that as-

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essment was relayed to the No. 1-ranked Alcaraz, his eyes widened and he exhaled under the white bucket hat that became his trademark news conference accessory.

Alcaraz was asked how he would describe himself.

"It's crazy that Novak (would) say that, honestly. But I consider myself a really complete player. I think I have the shots, the strength physically, the strength mentally, enough to (handle) these situations," he said. "Probably he's right. But I don't want to think about it. ... I'm 'full Carlos Alcaraz,' let's say, but probably I have some great ability from every player."

Living up to expectations is never easy, and so much has been expected of Alcaraz. Somehow, he is living up to all the hype.

He brings abundant athleticism, quickness, strength and reflexes to the game. He is equipped with a booming forehand and the touch to implement the softest of drop shots.

He produced more than twice as many winners as Djokovic on a windy afternoon, 66 to 32. □

Cleveland Browns swapping their logo-less orange helmets for white ones in three games this season

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CLEVELAND (AP)

— The Cleveland Browns are shelving those classic logo-less orange helmets for three games this season. With a nod to their storied past, the Browns will wear white helmets for the first time since 1951. Cleveland will break out a retro, all-white look white helmets, jerseys, and pants Week 2 (Sept. 18) in Pittsburgh, at home in Week 6 (Oct. 15) against San Francisco and again in Week 17 (Dec. 28) against the New York Jets in the regular-season home finale. The new helmets include

an orange and brown stripe down the middle. The Browns wore plain white helmets during their first six

seasons in the NFL they merged from the All-America Football Conference in 1950 before switching



Cleveland Browns NFL football player Marion Motley is shown Dec. 5, 1948, in Cleveland.

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to the orange shell for the 1952 season.

"We're super fired up and really excited to have this opportunity to wear an alternate helmet," said executive vice president JW Johnson. "We decided to go with the white helmet for a couple reasons it harkens back to our past, and a lot of our greatest players wore white helmets. We also heard from our fans that it was the direction they wanted."

Last year, the NFL began allowing teams to wear an alternate helmet.

The Browns won four straight AAFC championships before joining the

NFL in 1950 and winning a title in their first year with a roster that included Hall of Famers Otto Graham, Marion Motley, Lou Groza, Bill Willis, Mac Speedie and Dante Lavelli.

Cleveland's orange helmet, which is the only one in the league without a logo, has long been a topic of debate among Browns fans.

Some love it, while others have longed for the team to make a dramatic change.

The team recently unveiled a new logo for the Dawg Pound the team's notorious bleacher section that was voted on by fans. □